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THE USE OF ARSENIC, OPIUM AND OTHER DANGEROUS DRUGS.

Strange Appetites of the People of Lower Austria—Peculiar Use of Corrosive Sublimates—A Trick of Horse Dealers—Some of Our "Ordinary Indulgences."

In some districts of lower Austria and in Styria, especially in those mountainous parts bordering on Hungary, there prevails the strange habit of eating arsenic. The peasantry, in particular, are given to it. They obtain it under the name of *bedri*, from the traveling hawkers and gatherers of herbs, who, on their side, get it from the glassblowers, or purchase it from the corn doctors, quacks or mountebanks. The poison eaters have a two-fold aim in their dangerous employment, one of which is to obtain a fresh, healthy appearance, and acquire a certain degree of embonpoint. On this account, therefore, gay village lads and lassies employ the dangerous agent, that they may become more attractive to each other, and it is really astonishing with what favorable results their endeavors are attended; for it is just the youthful poison eaters that are, generally speaking, distinguished by a blooming complexion and an appearance of excellent health.

According to inquiries made on the subject, it would seem that the habit of eating poison among the inhabitants of lower Austria has not grown into a passion, as is the case with the opium eaters in the east, the chewers of the betel nut in India and Polynesia, and of the cocoa tree among the natives of Peru. When once commenced, however, it becomes a necessity. It is some districts sublimates of quicksilver is used in the same way. One case is particularly mentioned by a French writer on the effects of narcotics, of a great opium eater at Constantinople who daily consumed the enormous quantity of forty grains of corrosive sublimate with his opium. In the mountainous parts of Peru the above mentioned writer met very frequently with eaters of corrosive sublimate, and in Bolivia the practice is still more frequent, where this poison is openly sold in the market to the Indians.

ARSENIC USED BY HORSE DEALERS.

In Vienna the use of arsenic is of every day occurrence among horse dealers, and especially with the coachmen of the nobility. They either shake it in a pulverized state among the corn or they tie a bit the size of a pea in a piece of linen, which they fasten to the curb when the horse is harnessed, and the saliva of the animal soon dissolves it. This, of course, is a most dangerous practice, and the sound, shining appearance of the carriage-horses, and especially the much admired foaming at the mouth, is the result of the arsenic feeding. It is a common practice with the farm servants in the mountainous parts to strew a pinch of arsenic on the last feed of hay before going up a steep road. This is done for years without the least unfavorable result; but should the horse fall into the hands of another owner who withholds the arsenic, he loses flesh immediately, is no longer lively, and even with the best feeding there is no possibility of restoring him to his former sleek appearance.

The above particulars are curious, inasmuch as they refer to poisons of a peculiarly quick and deadly nature. Our ordinary "indulgences" in this country are the same in kind, though not in degree; for we are all poison eaters. To say nothing of our opium and alcohol consumers, our testotestals are delighted with the briskeness and sparkle of spring water, although these qualities indicate the presence of carbonic acid or fixed air. In like manner, few persons will object to a drop or two of the fragrant corrosive, sulphuric acid (vitriol) in a glass of water, to which it communicates an agreeable acid taste, and most of us have, at some period, or other of our lives, imbibed prussic acid, arsenic and other deadly poisons under the orders of the physician, or the first of these in the most pleasing form of confectionery.—Cor. Brooklyn Eagle.

The Gospel of the Newspapers.

"I rather think that the gospel of which we are apt to complain," said John Boyle O'Reilly, "is the safety-valve of our security, after all—the balance wheel of humanity, as it were. Formerly men were afraid of the devil and the law; now they shun public opinion and temper their actions because of that irresponsible creature who goes about with a note-book in hand photographing the world as it runs. No newspaper gossip, while it may be overdone, is the safety of our homes and institutions, and in time what evil there is will cure itself. I am a believer in the freedom of expression and in the mission of a well-tempered press."—Cor. Chicago Mail.

A Speaker on the Hustings.

Few English politicians when on the hustings take off their hats to address their constituents. As a rule mobs hate hats, and the very sight of a good looking one tempts them to "smash it on the spot." It is related of Mr. Parnell, who thoroughly understands mobs that in the outset of his career, with characteristic sagacity, he spoke hatless. One day at Ennis, he was asked how he found how hard the institute of equality are to gratify, for while he stood hat in hand, some one got hold of an exposed leg and tried to pull off his new checked trousers, but the Parnell suspension proved equal to the strain and the mob was baffled.—Philadelphia Times.

Methods of the Sparrow-Catcher.

The sparrow-catcher's method is known as bat-fowling. For bat-fowling, four sportsmen are the proper number. One of these carries a long stick, with which he beats the ivy on the side of the rock and starts the game. The second bears a lantern at the end of a pole toward the light of which the birds fly when suddenly aroused from sleep. The other two hold and rattle close against the roosting haunts of the birds a wide-mouthed net, made like a shrimp-net, but considerably larger, and into this the sparrows dash, bewildered by the noise and dazzled by the light.—Pater-son Press.

A Singular Meteorological Phenomenon.

A noticeable feature in the climate of south-eastern India, according to Col. B. R. Brant, of the London Geographical Society, is the frequent lightning storms, which occur daily for weeks together, before the setting in of the south west monsoon, unaccompanied by rain or any sound of thunder. This curious phenomenon is most frequent in districts where land and sea breezes alternate with much regularity.—Advocate Travancore.

GEO. O. BARNES.

"Praise the Lord. God is Love and Nothing Else."

FUTTEGHURH, INDIA, Dec. 29th, 1885.

DEAR INTERIOR:—"Christmas comes but once a year," and I think we have "made the most of it," in a limited way. At any rate we have enjoyed a "merry" one, without a sting of memory to mar its joys, for they were all "in the LORD."

By the way, why do we begin our celebration of Christmas on the evening before? "Christmas Eve" is as much an "institution" as the next morning. Why else, but that we, as true Israelites, do as Israel did; and accept—once a year at least—the day, as our God gave it in the beginning; when he said of the 1st, 2nd, 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th days of creation—"and the evening and the morning" made them the days they were; respectively. I accept this as another "identity," linking us with God's ancient people. The "ear marks" multiply with wonderful rapidity, as investigation proceeds, as we might fairly expect. Our "Christmas eve" was celebrated by a special service in the Fort School room. The first thing, Christmas morning, of course, was an inspection of our "stockings."

My dear, good Major had sent me a lovely "ark of shittim" wood—not exactly of the Bible measurement; and to hold much less sacred things, (though I trust, never anything the dear LORD will disapprove of), but according to my theory, a box made from the identical species of wood used for the holy deposit, described in Exodus 25th chap. The dear Major had heard me propounding my "hobby," and gave me his loving endorsement of favor to the propounder, if not adhesion to his theory, by this most beautifully gotten up dressing case. Bound at the corners and sides with polished brass; the rich brown wood, lustrous with its own perfect polish, unaided by oil or varnish; handle of brass, patent lock, and all complete; it was as thought, full a "Christmas gift" as affection could have planned. Dear Sister Mackenzie gave me a beautiful tortoise-shell spectacle case, exquisitely wrought—a perfect gem—and, in fact rather too handsome to use except on "State occasions." I shall keep it to preach my first sermon in Westminster Abbey, by which time I shall have a pair of gold spectacles to put inside it! All of which, of course, is rather in the hazy future. If I get as far as Kentucky, en route, I will show you both presents.

My good Sister Beatson (blind and angelic) to whom, I count it one of the chief joys of my Indian Ministry, that I have been used as the dear LORD'S instrument, in bringing into her sightless life the "glad tidings" that makes it a ceaseless joy now to live—gave me a comfortable Ulster made of native cloth, an "just the thing" for Indian railway travel in the cold weather. Good Mrs. Cornwall, the Commission-er's lady, sent me 100 rupees, equal to \$50. Besides these most seasonable gifts, cards and divers mementoes in the shape of handkerchiefs, etc., which I can not now particularize, completed my Christmas "stocking." The rest were all similarly remembered, but they must tell for themselves. You will agree that this was a pleasant start for my Christmas morning. What a beautiful custom it is to emphasize the "heavenly gift" commemorated by Christmas—by these earthly imitations and echoes, that gladden so many givers and receivers;—the former even more than the latter; since "beyond all controversy it is better to give than to receive." Praise the LORD for Christmas gifts all round.

We took our Christmas dinner at the Fort. Dear Major and Mrs. Mackenzie had provided a most bountiful and elegant repast to which 36 happy and hungry people, young and old, did ample justice. Even in the evening, we had our usual service, and the dear LORD gave me sweetest liberty in prescribing on His Second Advent, as I had discoursed, "Christ-mas eve," on the First—trying to gather worshippers hearts around His cradle at Bethlehem. Again we sang the two hymns, above mentioned, and I trust, many, will, from that service henceforth, be waiting for Him, who is coming soon, will right earth's wrongs and change her groans into songs of joy.

Returning to the Major's hospitable bungalow we gave ourselves up to the amusement of the happy children, till bed time. I have rarely spent a more delightful Christmas.

The next day we got an elegant photograph of a group of about 15, which I hope to send to some one in Stanford, that you may have a "squint" at our dear friends who have contributed so much to our happiness. You will at once recognize the tall, handsome soldier in the rear—the dear, motherly form in the centre of the group, without my telling you who they are.

Every night, driving home from the meetings at the Fort, Bro. Woodside and I, pass a crouching figure, squatting forlornly upon a mound of earth, throws up sufficiency high to command about an acre of potatoes. There, in the raw, chilly night on his "lone vigil keeping," he watches that no prowlers rids the precious crop—two, or four-legged. I am told that the porcupines are especially destructive on the potatoes and require very close surveillance. They are persistent night marauders. We pity the poor fellow as we pass

on to warm rooms and comfortable beds, when we think of him, the live long night, on his cheerless perch and the few pice he gets for his dismal work.

Futteghurh is famous for potatoes—not remarkable for size or quality, but in prodigious quantities. The farmers supply quite an area with the succulent tubes. It was first introduced here, many years ago, by a horticultural Doctor, who took special interest in its cultivation, and got the natives to make a crop of it. Since which time, the cultivators around Furruckabad have retained the lead, in that which they were the first to attempt, and have reaped a golden harvest for their enterprise. The fertile, highly-cultivated soil around the city, for miles, is now covered with the deep, green foliage of this indispensable vegetable. The watering is done from the wells, by means of a great bag of leather lowered and drawn up by a single pulley and worked by a single yoke of oxen. The "Persian wheel" with its row of earthen cups on an endless rope, and interminable creek, is not used here, on account of the depth of the wells; that lifter of water being only economically employed where the subterranean supplies lie comparatively near the surface.

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HUSTONVILLE, LINCOLN COUNTY.

—Letters have been received announcing the death—Jan. 27th, at Audubon, Texas, —of Dr. J. C. Rife, a former citizen of this place.

—J. Pleasant McKinney and wife, H. J. Harmon and the family of 'Squire J. P. Daniel leave to-morrow to locate in Texas. Mr. Daniel has been there for some time making preparation.

—Teachers are informed that 40 percent. of their claims are in the hands of the Superintendent and awaiting their orders. Any communication addressed to J. A. Bogle at Hustonville will receive prompt attention.

—There has been very little sociability in our place since Tuesday last. The only exception was a party of young folks assembled at John S. Goode's on Friday night. The entertainment is spoken of in terms of highest commendation.

—Joe Page, Jr., has returned from a protracted visit to friends in Texas. Well, M. Carpenter (Mike) sends us one of his breezy letters from Mackinaw City. The bitter cold of the region has signally failed to "freeze the genial current of his soul."

—Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. J. B. Westover and Miss Metelle Logan, to take place to night at the Presbyterian church and preparations are being made on a liberal scale. A reception will be given them at the Weatherford Hotel.

—Permit me for the sake of old association—to extend a hand of greeting to the new firm of Waters & Raney. It is needless to sound their praises in a community where they are so well and favorably known. Boys, be virtuous and you will be happy."

—The only marked benefit we have derived from the depth of the snow is seen in the temporary suppression of the ubiquitous "small boy." It was amusing to witness his desperate attempts to flounder through the drifts; but his legs were too short, and he was, for once in his history, compelled to subside.

—Miss Lizzie Twidwell is, or rather was, the owner of a beautiful Italian greyhound. When she took train for the city a few days since she left the dog in charge of her sister, who had accompanied her to the depot. As soon as the train started he made his escape and the last seen of him he was lying over the track in a desperate attempt to overtake the cars. LATER. The dog returned Saturday considerably worried in his effort to keep up with a lightning express.

Jim McSaffier was being tried in San Antonio for trying to bribe a colored witness, Sam Johnson, to testify falsely.

"You say this defendant offered you a bribe of \$50 to testify in his behalf?" said Lawyer Gouge to Sam Johnson.

"Yes, sah."

"Now repeat precisely what he said, using his own words."

"He said he would give me \$50 if I—"

"He can't have used those words. He didn't speak as a third person."

"No sah; he tuck good keer dat dar was no third person present. Dar was only us two. De 'fendant am too smart ter hab anybody listenin' when he am talking about his own reekality."

"I know that well enough, but he spoke to you in the first person, didn't he?"

"I was the fust puseon, myseelf."

"You don't understand me. When he was talking to you did he use the words, 'I will pay you \$50?'"

"No, boe; he didn't say anfin' about you payin' me \$50. Yore name wasn't mentioned 'cep'tin' dat he told me ef eber I got inter a scrape dat you was de best lawyer in San Antonio to fool de Judge and jury."

"You can step down."—[Texas Siftings.]

A stranger in the capital city of Texas, who seemed to be lost, asked Gus De Smith:—

"Say, how do I get to the railroad depot?"

"Say, what?"

"Say, how do I get to the railroad depot?"

"How do I get to the railroad depot? Anything else you want me to say?"

—Two men were killed in Memphis by a snow slide from a roof.

CRAB ORCHARD, LINCOLN COUNTY.

—In Chadwick & Huchings' show-case is a lemon weighing 15 ounces, grown by Mr. J. R. Lawless.

—J. E. Carson's little daughter, Bessie, is dangerously ill. Miss Mollie King is very sick at Dr. J. D. Pettus'. Mrs. W. P. Tatem is yet very low, as also is Mrs. Harry Collier.

—For correctness of books and reports, R. H. Bronaugh bears the palm over all the store-keepers under Mr. Bronston. For promptness and strict attention to business Reub. can not be excelled in any department.

—The candidates for Circuit Judgeship did not trust their noses to the frost Friday last, hence there was no speaking here; but very few people were in town any way, on account of the general reluctance to soil and trample the 20 inches of the "beautiful" that wraps the field and wood.

—Miss Lillie Pettus is again visiting at Dr. J. D. Pettus'. Miss Jean Buchanan, one of Crab Orchard's loveliest ladies, is at home, and brought with her Miss Annie Logan, one of Knoxville's handsomest little dark-eyed beauties, whom she had been visiting in Knoxville. W. G. Dunn and his handsome wife are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Montgomery. Hon. F. F. Bobbitt spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

—After a useful life of remarkable activity, Mr. Jacob Guest died Sunday morning at 4:20 o'clock, aged 84 years and 5 months. He took his bed only a few days before and gradually sank away. His last hours were passed in unconsciousness and like the dying of a pendulum, his breath slowly went out without the moving of a muscle or other indication of pain.

Mr. J. W. Guest and his family, of Boyle, were with him during his last illness. By industry and economy Mr. Guest has amassed a handsome estate, estimated to be worth \$60,000. Few men have lived more active or proper lives. He was born in Albemarle county, Virginia, and came to this State when a young man, since which time he has been a consistent member of the Christian church.

Because I see no necessity for it, and because of our financial condition, I am opposed to any further continuance of the Superior Court, and I believe that the Geological Survey, the Fish Commission, the whole Military Establishment, the Board of Equalization, the R. R. Commission and the Agricultural Bureau should be wiped out of existence.—[Senator John Feland.]

Mr. Henry Curtis, of Stratford, Conn., ninety-one years old, suddenly remembering that eighty-five years ago he used to slide down Academy Hill, was seized with a desire to repeat the performance, and did it with all the success of some of his esteemed contemporaries who have been sliding down hill all their lives.

—A man, his wife and six children were frozen to death on the prairie near Oberlin, Kansas.

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Stanford, Ky., ... February 9, 1886

W. P. WALTON.

A GENUINE whipping post bill is before the House and it was presented by that old wheel horse, Col. Pail Thompson, of Mercer. It provides that any person, except a female, who steals goods, money, chattel, cattle or other thing of less value than \$30 shall be punished with stripes not exceeding thirty-five in number on his bare back. A female guilty of such offense shall be confined in jail from ten to thirty days. A man's physical condition must be considered in fixing the punishment, and if whipping would be dangerous he shall be jailed from twenty to seventy days. Now Col. if you will succeed in having such a bill passed, you will receive the plaudits of everybody in the State, save a few sentimentalists, whose opinions are not worth considering in the matter.

KENTUCKY has 118 counties, more than half of which are what are known as pauper counties—that is draw more from the State treasury than they pay into it. There would be better government and fewer cliques and factions, if the number were reduced one-half, but as there is no prospect of that, our statesmen should profit by experience and see that there is no increase at any rate. There are three petitions before the present Legislature for the formation of three new counties, gotten up no doubt by men who wish to speculate in real estate by the establishment of county seats and get all out of the State treasury they can. Let the General Assembly give a cold shoulder to all such jobs.

A BILL has been offered by Senator Harris looking to the solution of the muddle the assinine Legislature has gotten the penitentiary management into. It proposes to pay South \$3,000 for services never rendered, order him down and out and hereafter allow the directors of the penitentiary, who are responsible for its management, to choose a warden and control the institution. This is a pretty costly way out of the mess but it is better than to permit the threatened calamity which awaits the State under the present order of things, brought on by a set, which would engulf the State in ruin to gratify a little personal spite.

THE REPUBLICAN senators do not seem so anxious for reasons and papers in removal of officers by the President. Senator Edmunds who leads the effort to embarrass the executive, fearing that the members of his party would not stand by him in the business, called a caucus to consider the question when so few responded that nothing was done, save that the Senator walked around a few times on his ear because he had been treated with so little consideration. The other senators have no doubt seen what Edmunds will after a while, that the people voted for a change of officers and intend to see that it is made.

THE Senate has passed a bill requiring counties to pay the cost of transporting prisoners from one county to another which it is calculated will save the State \$25,000 annually. We can see no hardship in this. A county that will not build a jail sufficient to hold its prisoners ought not to want to tax the other counties for its neglect. Now let each county support its own idiots and a \$100,000 more will be saved the State annually.

We can see no good reason why Louisville should be exempted from the penalty against base ball playing on Sunday, though the Senate in its transcendent wisdom passed the bill in that shape. The law should include every locality in the State and the penalty should be severe, else theatricals and any other exhibitions for money or pleasure should be allowed to desecrate the Sabbath.

ONE of the most promising youngsters in the field of journalism is the London Leader, edited by Mr. M. T. Craft, a ready and pleasing writer, who is devoted to his work and anxious for the improvement and development of his section. It is brimful of news and sensible editorials and has plainly demonstrated that it has come to stay. So excellent a Craft could not fail to weather the storm.

THERE was a storm of indignation a few years ago when the Senate passed a bill to allow each of its members a clerk, but it became a law all the same. And now the congressmen emboldened by the success of that raid upon the people's money, think that they must be furnished a clerk each at the public expense and a bill to that effect is now pending in the House.

THE Harrodsburg Democrat thinks the Senate of the Kentucky Legislature committed one of the most cruel as well as one of the most assinine acts any deliberative body has ever been guilty of, when, by the decisive vote of 26 to 5, it resolved to repeal the law which provided for the existence of the Geological Survey and Bureau of Immigration.

THE auditor's report of the amounts of money paid to attorneys during the years 1883, 1884 and 1885, for attending to law business for the State, shows a total which proves how numberless are the leaks in and raids upon the treasury. Several Louisville lawyers drew sums of \$1,500 to \$2,000 and the entire amount paid out footed up a small fortune.

SINCE 1879, the pension payments have amounted to \$380,847,200. The bill to increase the pensions of widows, which has already passed the House and is now pending in the Senate, will add to the annual expenditure \$6,169,962. Great God, where is the thing to stop?

REFERRING to our notice that we would be compelled to reduce our number of exchanges, the Breckenridge News says: "If the I. J. intends docking this office we should be very much pleased to know how much wampum it takes to get it for a year. Our near neighbors are highly appreciated on account of their general excellence and local interest, but the INTERIOR JOURNAL and Covington Commonwealth are two papers were not going to do without, whatever happens." Thanks, Brother Sutton, we never had the slightest idea of giving up your paper. It comes under the head of the necessities of this office, where it is greatly appreciated.

THE deep, dark, devilish scheme of the republican members of the General Assembly to ride into power on a split in the democratic party in the State on account of the South matter, which a correspondent thinks he has unearthed is so slight a ghost that will hardly do to scare babies with. The democratic party don't break up in that way.

ONE of the heaviest drains on the treasury for the amount of good that it accomplishes is the Register of the Land Office. Last year it cost \$5,763.40 to run it, while the receipts were only \$1,517.50, an excess of \$4,245.90 over them. A new constitution would no doubt abolish this costly luxury.

YOUNG DeROODE was fined \$250 for assaulting Editor H. H. Gratz at Lexington. At this rate old man DeRoode, who made a cowardly assault on the same gentleman with intent to kill, will be sent to the penitentiary as perhaps he ought to be, if the case is as has been represented.

It is said that all things come to him who waits and Mr. Lovely, the new postmaster at Paris, believes in its truth. Twenty five years ago Lincoln turned him out of office, and after waiting that length of time, Mr. Lovely returns to the same position he held under Buchanan.

THAT very deserving and accomplished young journalist, Mr. Hawthorne Hill, has been promoted to managing editor of the Louisville Commercial, a position which he is eminently qualified to fill.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

—A bill has been introduced to tax banks as other property.

—Nash's bill to investigate Tom Henry was ignominiously laid on the table.

—Messrs. Ramsey, Arnett and Thomas have been appointed by Speaker Offutt a committee to visit the mines where convicts are employed.

—Maj. Rigney proposed to shorten the working hours of the Senate Saturday, but the members thinking they were short enough now, refused to accede.

—Fifty-two new bills were introduced in the House Saturday, making the total introduced during the session 563, the great majority of them being of a local character.

—The Senate passed a bill leaving it discretionary with the jury whether a person convicted of carrying concealed deadly weapons shall be fined or imprisoned or both.

—Mr. Ramsey has presented a bill to authorize the Rockcastle County Court to issue and sell lands of said county, and to provide payment of same for the purpose of building a new jail.

—The Senate has passed the bill admitting the lower part of the Territory of Dakota to the Union. It was a strictly party vote, with one exception. Senator Voorhees voted with the republicans.

—A bill will soon be introduced in the Senate repealing the present law in regard to Commonwealth's attorneys and hereafter fixing their salary at \$2,000 a year without fees or perquisites. It is much better to let the law remain as it now is.

—After two or three days lost in discussion the Senate pleuro-pneumonia bill failed of passage in the House, receiving four less than the required majority. A reconsideration was moved and it is thought on a full vote the bill will pass. We observe that Mr. Bobbitt failed to put himself on record either pro or con the bill.

—The House has passed a bill, which prohibits the sale by druggists of any liquors save on prescription, and then not more than one quart. Violation of the law by either the physician or druggist robs them of the right to give or fill any such prescriptions in future, unless they make oath never to repeat the offense.

—The Senate passed Senator Bush's bill prohibiting the sale of certain deadly weapons in this State. It provides that any person who shall hereafter sell a pistol, bowie knife, dirk-knife, brass-knucks or slug-shot, shall, on conviction, be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, or imprisonment from ten to thirty days, or both fined and imprisoned, in the jury's discretion. This would do very well for a law, if all the States would adopt it, but we are too close to three others for it to help matters much here.

NOTES OF CURRENT EVENTS.

—Mr. Henry Waterson is reported seriously ill.

—Austin, Texas, has just suffered a \$100,000 fire. A dry goods establishment burned.

—Mrs. John S. Barbour, wife of Congressman Barbour, died of concussion of the brain, caused by a fall.

—It is a notable fact that while at Lexington on Wednesday last fourteen inches of snow fell there was not a flake at Covington.—[Commonwealth.]

—The thermometer registered but 3 below zero at Norfolk and 8 below at Richmond, Va., and still we are told it was the coldest snap ever known in the State.

—The average daily mail received by the House is said by Postmaster Dalton to be between 13,000 and 15,000 letters, an average of nearly forty letters per day to each Congressman, though some receive as many as 200.

—Judge Charles A. Hardin says he is a candidate for Appellate judge to succeed Judge Pryor.

—An explosion in a Bessemer Steel Works at Homestead, Pa., killed 15 persons and wounded 20 others.

—J. B. Lovely has been appointed postmaster at Paris and our friend, Col. F. L. McChesney, gets left again.

—The Commissioner of Pensions estimates that \$75,800,000 will be required for pensions the next fiscal year.

—George L. Lorillard, of the well-known New York family of that name, died at Nice, France, after a long illness.

—Ignatius C. Mattingly, postmaster under Buchanan, at Bardonia, was found dead in his bed Saturday. He was 80 years of age.

—The thermometer registered 25° below zero Friday morning at Staunton, Va. At Watertown, N. Y., the mercury was 40° below.

—Nashville comes to the front with an eight-year-old murderer. John Thornton, aged nine, was shot and fatally wounded by Henry Welch.

—The Louisville & Nashville has determined to change its gauge May 31st, and all the others in the South will follow suit the next day.

—It is stated that there are over fifteen hundred houses in Chicago which remain tenanted because of the belief that they are haunted by ghosts.

—The January fire loss of the United States and Canada is \$12,000,000, which is \$2,000,000 more than the average January loss in the past ten years.

—C. J. Norwood, State Inspector of Mines, states that the total output of coal for 1885 in Kentucky was 1,600,000 tons. The total increase over last year is 61,800 tons.

—Winchester added 133 houses to her number last year, and one of our most careful contractors estimates the number to be built during the coming year at 150.—[Democrat.]

—Cheesley Chambers, the Monon robber, who has been on trial at Bloomington Ind., for a week, was found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and be imprisoned in the penitentiary for two years.

—Nelson Hendricks, a negro, living two miles from London, beat his wife and drove her from home Thursday night. She was found dead in the snow, near his house. He ought to be lynched.

—Richard Bakrow, a Louisville drummer, has been found guilty of abducting a woman at Shreveport, La. The offense is punishable by confinement in the State prison for not more than five years.

—The body of James A. Garfield was Saturday placed in a new sarcophagus which cost \$2,000, prepared expressly for its reception. The military guard about his tomb will remain until June 1.

—Johannes Abe, of Indianapolis, remedied the chances of the rope breaking by tying it to the limb of a tree overhanging a stream, when he attempted suicide. Sure enough, it did break, and Mr. Abe fell into the water and was drowned.

—Senator Frye's bill creating a Commission to investigate the liquor traffic in all its branches—economic, criminal, moral and scientific—has been favorably reported from Mr. Blair's Committee. It appropriates \$10,000 for expenses, and if it becomes a law will furnish a nice junketing period for five Senators and a clerk or two.

—The Edmunds bill in regard to counting the electoral vote, now before the Senate, provides that each State provide a tribunal to decide who are its lawful electors, so that only one return should be sent to Washington to be counted, and that both the Senate and the House must agree to deprive a State of its sanctioned vote.

—The Senatorial muddle in Ohio is in a fair way of solution. The Hamilton county members are to retain their seats pending investigation at the hands of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, and all questions of dispute arising in the Committee are to be submitted for arbitration to ex-Senator Thurman and Judge R. A. Harrison.

—Near Thibadoux, La., James Baptiste and Mary Dude stood at the marriage altar ready to assume the vow which would unite their lives. Suddenly the lights were extinguished, screams of pain were heard, and when the room was again lighted, the groom lay on the floor with three fatal wounds in his back. He had been stabbed by Kenneth Collins, his former mistress, who escaped.

DANVILLE, BOYLE COUNTY.

—Miss Mary Duke, of Danville, had her ankle sprained and her jaw broken in a railroad accident near Kansas City, in which many others were hurt.

—Messrs. A. J. Rice and Jesse Fox on yesterday shipped to Atlanta 23 good cotton mules. Mr. L. H. Hudson went to Atlanta on Sunday, where he has a lot of mules.

—Mr. H. T. Bender, pension examiner, is still unearthing frauds that have been resorted to in Boyle county in order to obtain pensions from the best government the world ever saw. Mr. Bender will soon leave Danville, when he will be succeeded by Mr. Logan, of Illinois.

—Mr. Basil Guest and his sister, Miss Laura Guest, went to Crab Orchard Sunday to attend the funeral of their grand father, Mr. Jacob Guest, who died there Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Guest and others of the family had been with the old gentleman several days before his death occurred.

—The two auctions are still booming. Capt. Boone has broken down and is temporarily succeeded by Capt. T. D. English. Capt. Boone above mentioned has filed in the Boyle Circuit Court a suit against F. M. Green, of the Richmond Reg-

ister, for \$10,000 damages, the cause of action being alleged slanderous and defamatory utterances in the columns of the Register.

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—A planing mill attachment has been added to the saw mill of Mart & Vowels, of this place.

—Miss Anna Higgins, of Kirksville, will begin a select school at this place about the first of March.

—Prof. Hingeman will to-night begin teaching a class in German. There are 12 members in the class.

—Mr. J. L. Joplin's fine boar was run over and killed by a freight train Sunday morning. The hog was valued at \$15.

—James I. White is worse again; his recovery is doubtful. Johnny Green is improving all the time; it seems impossible to kill him.

—Should the life of the Superior Court be continued the many friends of Judge M. C. Sautley would be glad to see him elected as a member of the court.

—Judge G. W. McClure has been confined to his bed for several days. S. W. Parris was called to Illinois last Friday on account of the death of his mother.

—The Danville Advocate seems willing for Rockcastle to be stricken out from the 8th Judicial District. Wonder if the Advocate is the "organ" of Judge Vanwinkle?

—There is to be a wedding in this vicinity in the near future. Now don't everybody guess. I can't give the names of the parties yet. Somebody will be surprised.

—The snow averaged about 27 inches at this place. It was 30 inches in Roundstone. On Friday morning the mercury was down to 29° below zero; one degree colder than it was in January.

—We have often heard it said that chickens do not live over 7 or 8 years. We are informed that during the cold spell in January a hen belonging to R. G. Jones, which belonged to his father 20 years ago, and has been in the family ever since, froze to death. She has hatched and raised chickens innumerable and was laying up to within a few weeks of her death. She was reported to be about 23 years of age when she froze to death.

—Capt. Sam Packard, of Malden, Mass., who celebrated his one hundredth birthday on Tuesday, has lived under every President of the United States, is a pensioner of the war of 1812, has been the father of 12 children, and is in good health and condition, which promise him a lease of some years yet.

—Tile-Making Among the Moors. From a common center, located between the Nile, the art of tile-making and the application of tiles to decorative purposes was carried to the far east by Buddhism, and to the far west by Mohammedism, and that in those days the tiles were glazed as now.

—The form of the first manufactured by the Moors was that known as arabesques. They were made by rolling a ball of clay into a sheet about half an inch in thickness, which was cut into one or more geometric forms that would combine to form a design. The face was then covered with colored silicious glaze, the edge beveled back from the front to form a key for the mortar when the tile was fixed to the wall, and the work was ready for the fire, to which it was subjected but once, the color and the bisque being developed together. These tiles were very small, and were mostly used for mosaics. They are still made in Spain, but the Spanish potters have lost his cunning, and the tiles are crude and inartistic in color.

—The Moors made still another kind of tile, which was made for floors as well as walls. It was made from wet clay, about three-quarters of an inch thick, cut into squares or oblong pieces of various sizes. On the surface a pattern was indented, and the tile fired for the bisque, which was then glazed with a white glaze made of lead, tin and finely powdered salt. After the second firing the indentations were filled with pure luster colors and fired for the third and last time.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

—The Infernal Regions on the Stage. The smoke of hell in the stage performance is produced by a new method. Electric lights are set behind colored glasses of different hues, and as these glasses are moved they appear to rise everchanging clouds, blue, green, and black by turns, or variously mingled.

—A Question in the Clubs. [Cor. San Francisco Argonaut.] A question that is a matter of serious discussion in all the New York clubs is whether a member has a right to fall asleep in his chair in any of the public rooms. One side contend that a club is a member's home, and he would take a nap in his chair if he were at home surrounded by the members of his family. The other side say that it would be impolite and indecorous for a gentleman to go to sleep in his chair in disregard of his guests, and claim that the other members are his guests. A third party is willing enough that the sleepyheads should be allowed a nap in their chairs, provided they do not snore or make themselves objectionable, but admit it is hard to discriminate. It is probable that sooner or later a room provided with cozy sofas will be furnished in each club for the drowsy members.

—They Sang It Once More. [Philadelphia Times.] There was a sensible clergyman in Chester county, who was disturbed by the noise made by male members of the congregation putting on their overcoats while the Doxology was being sung, and said: "Now that you have your overcoats on we will sing the Doxology over again." It was a courteous and moderate rebuke of a practice that is too often thoughtlessly indulged in, and is nevertheless the height of rudeness.

—A Remarkable Memory. A merchant of Athens, Ga., has a remarkable memory. Of a \$10,000 stock of goods he can tell, without looking at the marks, what each article cost.

—A Swift Cruiser for Spain. A cruiser that is to steam among the waves of the sea at the amazing speed of twenty-two knots an hour is being built on the Clyde for the Spanish government.

—Wages Paid for Diamond Digging. A letter from Kimberley, South Africa, represents that no less than \$5,000,000 is annually paid in that town alone in wages for diamond digging.

—A Machine for the Fishermen. Gloucester fishermen are experimenting with a machine which splits and "gills" mackerel quicker and better than human hands can operate.

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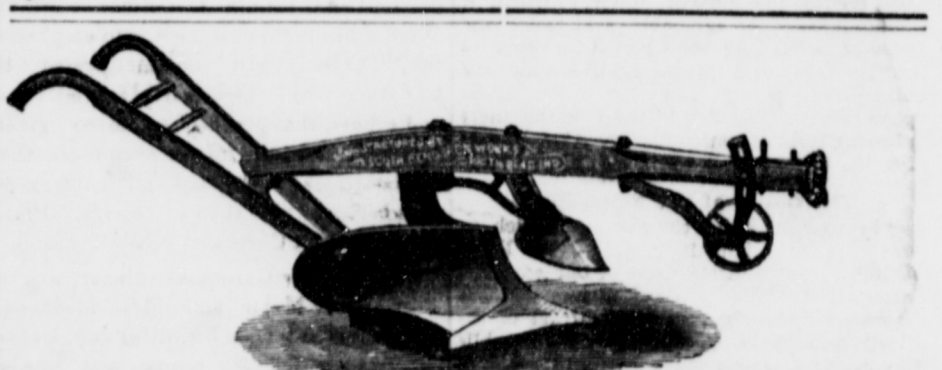
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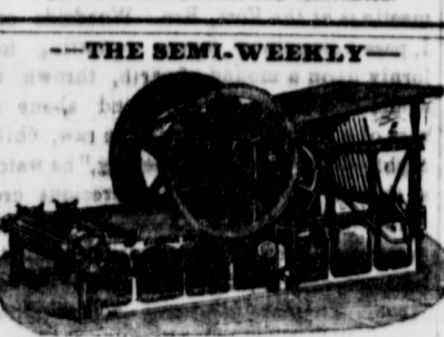
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